

**CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH
MILITARY AFFAIRS SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES
March 15, 2011, 10:30 A.M. - REGULAR MEETING**



**Council Chambers
825 Imperial Beach Blvd.
Imperial Beach, California**

CALL TO ORDER (1)

MAYOR JANNEY called the meeting to order at 10:29 a.m.

ROLL CALL (2)

Committee Members present:

Bragg, Janney

Staff Members present:

City Manager Brown, Secretary of the Board
Posada, Public Works Director Levien,
Community Development Director Wade,
Captain Lindsey
NAVFAC S.W. Community Planner/Liaison
Bruce Schaffer

Others present:

PUBLIC COMMENTS (3)

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR (4.1)

4.1 MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 9, 2010 MEETING.

Councilmember Bragg stated she was not at the November 9, 2010 Meeting and has not reviewed the November meeting minutes. Mayor Janney mentioned he does not believe you have to be present at the meeting for a motion to approve the minutes. Mayor Janney asked City Manager Gary Brown to confirm. Approval of November 9, 2010 minutes will be postponed to the next regularly scheduled meeting.

NEW BUSINESS (5.1)

MAYOR JANNEY advised Captain Lindsey and staff there will be an Agenda Calendar Item at tomorrow's City Council Meeting on the Draft EA for the Navy Helicopters.

COUNCILMEMBER BRAGG advised Captain Lindsey that his predecessor came to a Council Meeting in the past to give a presentation of all helicopter operations at NOLF.

MAYOR JANNEY asked Captain Lindsey to come to a future Council Meeting for a presentation to the City Council and Community. He also asked Captain Lindsey and staff to see if they can meet with the residents of the Oneonta neighborhood to address comments, questions, and concerns on the Draft EA.

MAYOR JANNEY and City Manager Brown discussed AICUZ study with Captain Lindsey as well as the Silver Strand EIS and Helicopter Draft EA.

COUNCILMEMBER BRAGG asked Captain Lindsey if the Navy would be interested in working with the City or Chamber to create a Navy Housing Unit in Imperial Beach with the increase in Navy personnel at North Island and NOLF IB.

CAPTAIN LINDSEY said he would be very interested in meeting with any entity regarding Navy Housing in Imperial Beach.

COUNCILMEMBER BRAGG asked Captain Lindsey if the Navy has an emergency and disaster plan.

CAPTAIN LINDSEY mentioned the Navy has an Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and he invited Council members and City Staff to come visit the EOC anytime. He stated they work with a Communications System. He also mentioned they have large outdoor speakers across the base, computer notifications, reverse 9-1-1 and more.

OLD BUSINESS (6.1)

6.1 AIMS ARRAY PROJECT

CAPTAIN LINDSEY informed the City of the Mine Warfare Facility minor construction starting in April for approximately 4-6 months. Barges and cranes will be shoring up the facility because it is swaying too much.

CAPTAIN LINDSEY stated there has been runway construction at NOLF. The Navy is re-surfacing the pre-existing runways, not building anything new. The Navy anticipated the project would be completed by January, but the project has taken longer. Captain Lindsey states the Navy hopes to be done in the next few weeks but the timeline may change due to budget constraints.

CAPTAIN LINDSEY advised that the Navy will be entering into an agreement with the California Department of Fish and Game, an MOU that will contract Fish and Game to perform Game Warden services at the Navy's Radio Receiving Facility, the beach near the Amphibious Base and also on the base itself. They will be patrolling the nesting areas to protect the Snowy Plover and Lease Terns during nesting season approximately March through September.


COUNCILMEMBER BRAGG mentioned if the City of Imperial Beach had an animal control officer, not contracting with the City of Chula Vista, that position could have been contracted to provide the Navy's Game Warden Services.

ADJOURNMENT (7)

MAYOR JANNEY adjourned the meeting at 11:11 a.m.



Michelle Posada
Secretary of the Board


James C. Janney
Mayor